

**Submission  
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**INQUIRY INTO HIGH LEVEL OF FIRST NATIONS  
PEOPLE IN CUSTODY AND OVERSIGHT AND REVIEW OF  
DEATHS IN CUSTODY**

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I was born in Bega and raised in Tathra on the Far south Coast New south Wales, I fished and swam in the Bega River Wallaga Lake bermagui and Merimbula, My closest confidant in my early teens was Valmai Cooper she is from the Yuin People.

I absolutely detest racism, discrimination of any kind.

I have seen the results of years of this behaviour and how it effects the people of this country and their children.

I see the results of colonialism and class wars, the hurt that has caused throughout our Nation.

I see the black people arrested and discriminated against I see the children arrested and put in jail, it is shameful, horrific.

There is better cheaper ways of dealing with the drug and alcohol effected people, I have attended meetings where I have witnessed attitudes that people in public positions should not hold.

Stop the imprisonment of children ....

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